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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration *File Training -3*

SUBJECT : Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar

REFERENCES : A. Letter from DCI to Secretary of  
State, 20 November 1975

B. Letter from Deputy Under Secretary  
of State for Management to DCI,  
29 December 1975

1. As I reported earlier, the State Department has turned down Mr. Colby's request (Reference A) that the Department continue to participate, i.e., send students, in the FAES. In the response (Reference B), Deputy Under Secretary Eagleburger indicated that State would, however, try to continue "an inter-agency training program" without State Department participation. At the present time the Foreign Service Institute is developing plans to offer truncated FAES to the military services, USIA, and CIA.

2. Deputy Under Secretary Eagleburger's letter also signals an increase in the financial support provided by the remaining sponsors as a result of reduced State Department participation. Although the cost factor is perhaps not as critical as the question of the overall effectiveness of the Seminar, it does represent another effort by State to get other agencies to share in financing the Department's as well as their own part of an inter-agency program. Our FY 1976 costs will be approximately \$52,000, or about \$1,300 per student.

3. There is attached a draft letter that I propose to send to Howard Sollenberger advising him of our reservations before FSI's planning gets so far along that they take our continued cooperation for granted. The letter states that CIA will withdraw from a fixed cost arrangement, but we would be willing to continue participation on the same basis of paying tuition to send students to other FSI courses.


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Alfonso Rodriguez  
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The attached letter is APPROVED.

 /s/ John F. Block  
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Deputy Director for Administration

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The attached letter is DISAPPROVED.

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Deputy Director for Administration

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Date

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D R A F T  
3 February 1976

Mr. Howard E. Sollenberger  
Director, Foreign Service Institute  
Department of State  
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Howard:

The decision of the Department not to send students to the Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar, as reconfirmed in the letter of Deputy Under Secretary of State for Management of 29 December 1975 to the Director of Central Intelligence, comes as a disappointment. Added to the greatly reduced participation by AID, this withdrawal marks a severe decline in the Seminar and would limit it largely to the military services, USIA, and CIA.

I realize that you are currently in process of considering alternative formats, staffing, and financial arrangements. We have examined the question of the Seminar's future and have come to the conclusion that, from our point of view, the FAES will not be effective without the participation of State Department student members. Accordingly, I wish to advise you that for the FAES runnings beyond June 1976, CIA would like to drop the present fixed financial contribution and instead commence to pay tuition

for our attendees as is done for those attending other  
Foreign Service Institute courses. I also anticipate that

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██████████ will be reassigned after the May running, unless  
you wish to work out other financial arrangements for continuing  
his detail to the Foreign Service Institute.

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